

**MOTOR BUS TRANSPORTATION ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 432 of 1982**

**474.103 Definitions.**

Sec. 3. As used in this act:

(a) "Certificate of authority" means a certificate of authority issued under the terms of this act unless the context indicates otherwise.

(b) "Department" means the state transportation department.

(c) "For hire" means for remuneration or reward of any kind, paid or promised, either directly or indirectly.

(d) "Lessor" means a person who leases a motor bus to any other person for the transportation of passengers for hire over the public highways of this state.

(e) "Motor bus" means a self-propelled motor vehicle used in the transportation of passengers and their baggage for hire upon any public highway of this state with a maximum seating capacity of 10 persons or more, or 16 persons or more if the limousine transportation act is enacted into law, including the driver. Motor bus does not include a self-propelled motor vehicle having a seating capacity of 15 passengers or less that is used by or on behalf of an employer to transport its employees to and from their place of employment.

(f) "Motor carrier of passengers" means a person who, either directly or through any device or arrangement, holds himself or herself out to the public as willing to undertake for hire to transport by motor bus from place to place over the public highways of this state persons who may choose to employ him or her for that purpose or for the purpose of transporting package express, baggage of passengers, newspapers, or United States mail in the same vehicle used to transport passengers.

(g) "Person" means an individual, sole proprietorship, partnership, association, corporation, or other legal entity, or the lessee, trustee, or receiver of any of these entities; this state; a city, village, township, or county of this state; the federal government; or an employee, officer, or agent of any of these units of government.

(h) "Public highway" means a highway, road, street, avenue, alley, or thoroughfare of any kind, or a bridge, tunnel, or subway used by the public.

(i) "The public" means that part or portion of the general public which the motor carrier is ready, able, willing, and equipped to serve.

(j) "Through any device or arrangement" means any and all methods, means, agreements, circumstances, operations, or subterfuges under which a person undertakes for hire to conduct, direct, control, or otherwise perform the transportation of passengers by motor bus service upon the public highways of this state.

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